(b) the percentage of loans given to members of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes out of the above;

(c) the details of such loans category-wise *i.e.* number of SCs and STs who availed loans up to 1,2,5,10 lakh and above 10 lakh; and

(d) what steps are being taken or proposed to betaken to ensure that their fair share of percentage of loans by the banks go to these sections?

THE MINISTER OF STAE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Loans for muslims in **negative and red zones**

4341. SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many banks have designated a number of Muslim concentrated areas as negative or red zones where they do not give loans;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE {SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Hoarding of foodgrains

4342. SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some firms are accessing funds from Non Banking Companies to buy and hoard foodgrains;

(b) whether the Reserve Bank of India has voiced its concern over some corporates accessing funds from these institutions to buy and hoard foodgrains;

(c) if so, whether RBI has sought report from these institutions; and

(d) if so, the action taken by RBI in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) to (d) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued a circular